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PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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HBJ PIPELINE
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of Hazira-Bijaipur-Jagdishpur gas pipeline;

(b) whether the Government has received proposals from various State Governments for supply of natural gas to their States from HBJ pipeline;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a): The Hazira-Vijaipur-Jagdishpur (HVJ) pipeline is operational.

(b) to (d): Proposals for supply of natural gas from HVJ pipeline have been received from time to time from various State Governments. However, due to less availability of natural gas, no new proposals for supply of natural gas are being considered.

However, the Government of India has initiated various steps to augment gas supplies for the domestic market. These cover:-

(a) Intensification in domestic E&P activities;

(b) Exploitation of coal bed methane gas;

(c) Implementation of Natural Gas Hydrate Programme (NGHP) for evaluation of hydrate resources and their possible commercial exploitation;

(d) LNG Import; and

(e) Gas sourcing through transnational gas pipelines.